

COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT TOP HEALTH PRIORITIES

- 1 Access to care
- 2 Exercise and nutrition
- 3 Mental health

COLLABORATION EXAMPLE

"Mercy and Truth is currently collaborating with the Johnson County Health department and the CDC's 1422 grant that is designed to address one or more of the leading risk factors for chronic disease: tobacco use, poor nutrition, and physical inactivity. Some of the programs also address key health system improvements and community supports to help Americans manage chronic conditions such as high blood

CARE COORDINATION & PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL CARE

"Patient care coordination is a vital part of our every day activities as we care for patients. Care coordination generally happens when a patient has to receive care between our clinic and other providers such as a hospital, mental health facility, specialty care facility etc. When one of our patients is hospitalized, the hospital usually notifies us of their admission and sends the patient's records to our clinic. A follow up appointment is usually scheduled for that patient to maintain continuity of care."

ADDRESSING COMMUNITY HEALTH PRIORITIES

"To improve access to care, Mercy and Truth is listed on a major database of free/low-cost health care services and locations developed by the Johnson County Health department. We are also listed with the Wyandotte County Community Health Council to allow an easier way for patients to find our clinics. Our clinic hours have been expanded to include late evenings to accommodate patients whose work schedules would only allow them to visit the clinic after 5pm."

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

HOSPITAL "works with physicians and hospitals to aid in specialty care, referrals, and consultations...collaborate to provide follow-up treatment and establish primary care for ER patients..."

HEALTH DEPARTMENT "collaborate on the Refugee Resettlement Program"

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER "well-established collaborative relationship...receive and give referrals..."

PRIVATE PRACTICES "collaborate to provide specialty services...work with a physical therapist to provide alternative care for patients who need pain management services..."

OTHER "work with specialty practices like birth centers, radiology...community organizations which aim to break cycle of poverty...transitional housing program..."

USING GRANT FUNDS TO IMPROVE PATIENT CARE

"Mercy and Truth intends to use the grant funds to improve patient outcomes by screening every patient over the age of 18 for tobacco use and to use a simple questionnaire to assess "readiness to quit" with a simple, standardized tool."